

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Amended) In an agricultural combine disposed in an ambient environment, an unloading auger for removing a crop material from a storage bin, the unloading auger comprising:

- a) an infeed section coupled to an outlet of the storage bin for receiving crop material from the storage bin; and
- b) an outfeed section including a first segment coupled to the infeed section and a second segment hingedly connected to the first segment, wherein the first and second segments can be relatively pivoted in a substantially horizontal plane between a storage position and coaxially connected unloading position while maintaining the infeed section in a substantially vertical orientation.

2. (Previously Amended) The unloading auger according to Claim 1, further comprising a hinge between said first and second segments.

3. (Previously Amended) The unloading auger according to Claim 2, further comprising:

an actuator between said first and second segments that rotates at least one of the first and second segments around said hinge; wherein

said first and second segments are lockable together when said unloading auger is in said unloading position;

4. (Currently Amended) The unloading auger according to Claim 3, wherein:

a) said actuator is a hydraulic cylinder, wherein grain is prevented from being accidentally released through an open end of one of said segments when said unloading auger is in said storage position.

5. (Currently Amended) The unloading auger according to Claim 4, wherein

a) said first and second segments are positioned generally parallel to the longitudinal axis of said combine with the second segment being positioned generally adjacent to the outside edge of said first segment when said unloading auger is in said storage position.

6. (Currently Amended) An agricultural combine comprising:

- a) a storage bin;
 - b) an unloading auger movable between a storage position and an unloading position for unloading a crop material from the storage bin, the auger including:
 - i. a horizontal section in communication with the storage bin, wherein the horizontal section has a first segment movable with respect to the storage bin; a plurality of segments; and
 - ii. a second segment; and a hinged joint that pivotally connects each of said plurality of segments that allows said segments to be relatively pivoted.
 - iii. a hinged joint pivotally connecting the first and second segments, thereby allowing said segments to be relatively pivoted when moving the auger between the storage and unloading positions;
- wherein said first and second segments are horizontally disposed both when the auger is disposed in the storage and in the unloading positions.

7. (Previously Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) The agricultural combine according to Claim 6, wherein said unloading auger is relocated between a the storage position and an the unloading position manually.

9. (Original) The agricultural combine according to Claim 6, wherein said plurality of segments consists of a first segment and a second segment.

10. (Original) The agricultural combine according to Claim 9, wherein:

- a) said combine includes a body with a rearmost end; and
- b) no portion of said first segment and said second segment extends beyond said rearmost end when said unloading auger is in said storage position.

11. (Currently Amended) The agricultural combine according to Claim 10, further comprising:

a hydraulic cylinder that rotates said first segment and said second segment around said hinged joint; wherein

said first hinged joint is lockable when said unloading auger is in an the unloading position.

12. (Original) The agricultural combine according to Claim 9, wherein said first segment is generally parallel and said second segment is generally transverse to the longitudinal axis of said combine with the second segment positioned generally along the rear end of said combine when said unloading auger is in a storage position.

13. (Currently Amended) The agricultural combine according to Claim 9, wherein said first segment and said second segment are generally parallel to ~~the~~ a longitudinal axis of said combine with the second segment positioned generally adjacent to the inside edge of the first segment when said unloading auger is in a the storage position.

14. (Original) The agricultural combine according to Claim 9, wherein said first segment is generally parallel to the longitudinal axis of said combine and said second segment is generally positioned vertically to the ground.

15. (Previously Added) The unloading auger as recited in claim 1, wherein the second segment defines an auger exit opening for delivering the crop material to the ambient environment.

16. (Previously Added) The agricultural combine as recited in claim 6, wherein the storage bin defines an upper surface, and wherein the horizontal section is in communication with the upper surface.